Kingston O. Oct. 24 1951.

Dear Doctor Robinson;

The editorial on Family Prayer was as near perfect as anything this side of Heaven. Our father had Matthew Henry on his knees, later using them in earnest prayer. We had a cousin on the Chapin side who remarked in our home in Pa. "Uncle Oliver will die upon his knees". My father was Oliver Norton. When pastor in Wellston had several who recited the Catechism in one family. Harry Overly one of the 3. He recited so perfectly, it seemed almost like a poem. Here they are making time of such activity. It is said to see a church "Drift" until we are very forcibly reminded of a lodge - pay dues, elect members any prayer meeting. Prof Paterson Supt. of public instruction in Wellsville an Elder & Supt. of S.S. made fine reference to the Bibles

By the courtesy of my first church, I was made a life member Bible Society. In Sept. Oct. number W. L. Phelps Vice Pres? Said "There is no evidence that our Lord was a highly educated man"!

I sent a check of $5.00 for the Blind.

Sent also short article right against such a fratricious statement. Afterwards adding the check, said they were much interested in article but did not see how they could print. I do not see how either since he is Vice Pres.! Now knowing this man [illegible] never learned. Strikes me, [illegible] knew what was in man, & needed not to be told. As said, no mere book knowledge by sinful man, enabled Jesus to raise 3 from the dead. Ask on them if Bro Phelps (now) believes this. By whom do we make the orders.

As Ever yours

D. L. Chapin.

Dear Doctor Robinson:

Our pastor Rev. Teague has secured the services of evangelist Rev. Willetts to begin in about one week. His wife a great worker. He plainly told them, the church is dead. The editor here has been asking sermon every week. If you think best you can submit the inclosed.

When the Pastor now in Troy O. accepted a call to Middleport O. The Church & Presbytery said "One of the strong churches in Pres. Assembly." No wonder Men will come to our homes & down on their knees, to learn to pray. Here a wall of adamant. Visit 3rd Ch. Christ teaches young girls will offer brief prayers. One young lady convert, will offer a prayer before her class, are beginning the lesson. For 3 years I had a class enrollment

here of 30 married & remarried women, ~~here~~, after an evangelist had been here. They invited me to teach them (card players among them) & then I offered a very brief petition & opened my eyes; the expression of some in front of me was very doubtful.

As Ever yours

D. L. Chapin

Kingston O. Oct-26
1931.

1321 E. 9th. St.
Pueblo, Colo.,
10-20-'31.

Dear Bro. Robinson:

I am so disappointed in the Presbyterians. It falls so far short of the old Herald and Presbyter. So very little missionary news. I would be so glad to see letters from the field or excerpts from them, especially from China. My sister spent so many years there till her husband Revt. John E. Williams, was murdered four years ago. -

To my mind your new feature on p 2 is a great mistake, a waste of valuable space. Maybe I am all alone in my estimate of this page. Maybe it would be well to sound out your other readers on the subject.

I have just written to my old friend Dr. Whallon concerning his editorial in copy of Oct. 8th. headed: "Non-Payment of Dues". I said in part: "I never knew a member of a church to be dropped for non-payment of dues. Your editorial gives the impression that all on the 'suspended list' are so dropped. It seems to me very unfortunate for you to mix up the church with fraternal organizations. (over)

"The Church established by our Lord prepares us for two worlds while Freemasonry &c is for this world only."

Fraternally Yours,

J. O. Baldwell Jr.

October 28, 1931.

Mr. J. O. Caldwell,
1321 E. 9th Street,
Pueblo, Colo.

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

I am very sorry that THE PRESBYTERIAN does not meet your desires in all particulars. We have many letters of commendation and yours is one of very few of criticism. It would be nice to have letters from the foreign mission fields as you suggest and I think you will find that several have been printed. I did not happen perhaps to get your one from China where your sister is. As to the other criticisms, I may say that I have had many letters that differ from you entirely.

Yours very sincerely,

WCR*E

405 Hodge Hall
Princeton Seminary.

Mr.W.Courtland Robinson
Editor,Presbyterian Magazine.

Dear Sir:

I should like to submit this accompanying article to your consideration as fit material for publication in our Presbyterian Magazine.

I am a middler here at Seminary,and it was my joy to spend the past summer in general missionary work and preaching in southwest Kentucky. There was another young man from this school,Russell Annich,with whom I worked, and together we offer this piece as the reflection of two student ministers upon the field for the first time. I believe it truly represents our growing reaction to the work as the work progressed,and since the article therefore goes from the negative to the positive,we feel that it may be of some constructive influence and benefit.

Thanking you very much for your generous consideration in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

Bruce D. Compton

October 13, 1931.

Mr. Joseph N. Cone,
514 N. Maple Avenue,
East Orange, N. J.

Dear Mr. Cone:

Your article was received and I thought it very good. If you will be patient with us we will soon print it in a regular issue of THE PRESBYTERIAN.

Yours very sincerely,

WOR*E

514 NORTH MAPLE AVENUE
EAST ORANGE, N. J.

October 4, 1931

Editor of The Presbyterian
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:--

Some time since an article bearing on well known conditions in the church, was sent to you, with some expectation of editorial comment, even though not of sufficient merit for publication.

However, since receiving your courtesy card, I have realized that use of the article was not desired.

If it has not gone to that bourne from which no writing returneth--the waste basket--could you suspend your rules to the extent of returning it to me? Shall consider this an especial favor.

Very truly yours,

Joseph N. Cone:
Clerk of Session
Third Church.

FRANK L. CUBLEY
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
PERT BLOCK
POTSDAM, NEW YORK

October 9, 1931.

Dr. W. C. Robinson,
c/o The Presbyterian,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Robinson:-

I just received yours of the 7th instant regarding a book review. I certainly will be glad to accommodate you if it is within my ability to do so. I have always felt more or less obligated to you, not from any financial cause, but purely for the kindnesses which you have extended to my family and myself, and have always been sorry that I could not repay to better advantage.

I have also felt rather ashamed of myself in not writing you upon receipt of your long letter last year, but I let matters slip by so as to get rid of them in the easiest possible manner and in this way have neglected my friends. We get along as well as might be expected under the circumstances, but just at the present time I am not feeling very well physically. I rather think in another week or two I may take a vacation at Clifton Springs for general recuperation. I have been exceedingly busy in office matters and have enough work ahead of me to keep two or three busy for the next few months, so that I can not complain about any depression in the law business.

I appreciate the confidence which you have bestowed in requesting this review and hope I may be able to do something with it in the near future.

Will you kindly remember us all to Mrs. Robinson and with a renewal of my affection for both of you, I remain

Yours very truly,

FLC:B.

F. L. Cubley.

October 7, 1931.

Mr. Frank L. Cubley,
Potsdam,
New York.

My dear Mr. Cubley:

During your long interest in work of Bible teaching, I am sending you under another cover a book which I hope you will review briefly. You, of course, may retain the book. It may be a diversion for you on a Sunday afternoon to read it through and put down what you think of it. Without having read the book I am of the opinion that if he makes an appeal for laymen teaching he is doing a good work.

Yours very sincerely,

VCR*E

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October 3, 1931

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D., Editor,
The Presbyterian,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of October 1 relative to my attitude toward The Presbyterian.

I am not an editor, but I have been acquainted with several who have revealed to me the many difficulties in connection with their duties, and I have learned that an editor's job is not to be envied by any person save those who may be ignorant of its many perplexities. It was not that upon which I based my letter sent to you recently, for feeling as I do it is very seldom that I thrust upon them any articles for their periodical. It is disheartening, however, to send so few and have them returned or disregarded. In spite of my disappointments, I will gladly continue my interest in your paper.

As for your knowing me, I believe you have confused me with my brother, whose wife came from Delaware County, New York, and it was her parents to whom you so graciously ministered during their illness. Your son, Stewart, I know very well, because he and I were members of the same class in Princeton Seminary. As his father, I feel sure you must be very happy because he has been and is doing so well in ministering for Christ.

In closing, let me express to you my appreciation for the very masterly tone and spirit of The Presbyterian since you have become its editor.

Very sincerely yours,

W. J. G. Carruthers

WJGC:R

Kingston O. Oct. 1. 1931.

Dear Editor Presbyterian.

First of all please accept sincere thanks for extension subscription Aug 1933, and am sending Bro Zarbaugh's little paper just recd. Have read a few of Sunday Jones books. Dr. L. S. Geyser by no means accepts very things he has had printed. On 1st P. Bugle Mr Jones said he better to say "Go straighter" rather to go deeper? Even Mr Jones admits that Sunday does not accept miracle.

Rev. S. W. Zwemer D.D. article is fine. If Sunday favors idols, what use has he for 2 first commandments?

When I saw the face of Rev. Higley I wrote briefly to Bro Zarbaugh. I almost wished a Ruling Elder from Southern O. had never read me Mr Higley did not believe in the Virgin Birth. But B. F. Mills came to Christ after losing 15 years.

As Ever D. L. Chapin

1628 W. Court St.,
Flint, Mich.
September 26th, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Brother:-

I have been going to write you for long time to tell you that I enjoy the Presbyterian, and have enjoyed it ever since you have edited the paper. It is a pleasure and instruction to read its pages.

I find that your way of looking at things pleases me. Dare I say it? I think as you do. You will not think that desirable when I tell you that I am old - in my seventieth year.

I have been protesting, largely in my own mind, for years against the growing bewureaucratizing of our church. It heartens me to find that you have the same mind. I hope you will continue to point out the desirability of reform in the wise way that you have been doing.

I was relieved when Dr. Weir resigned from the Men's work. What a dear fellow he is. One could not help loving him, but after a year or two out of the pastorate how useless was his work, and how useless will be his successor.

I have long been Stated Clerk but have not tried to boss the Presbytery. When the present plan of a central treasurer was announced, I drew criticism from members of Presbytery by characterizing it as vicious. For years I refused to send benevolences in any way, but directly to the Boards. Now in Michigan we have a Synodical treasurer at a big salary with an office and a stenographer, and benevolence money is sent to him, and he sends it to the central treasurer who divides it to the Boards and agencies. I know it insures the agencies being provided for, but I think there could be a simpler way. The present way is bad.

I am well acquainted with Jack McDowell. We were co-members of Presbytery in Detroit years ago. I like him, but I had the same mind toward his Labor Day message as you expressed. Jack had better be preaching the gospel which he did so well, according to my mind.

I spent six years as a general missionary in our Synod. My prayer was "Lord, keep me from becoming professional." I think he did. I broke down in health and had to get out of the traveling about. No doubt that was one of His mercies.

Keep up the good work, brother.

Sincerely yours,

George Beattie Crawford

P.S. I am no stranger to the east. Orange County was my home.

October 8, 1931.

Rev. George Beatty Crawford,
1628 W. Court Street,
Flint, Mich.

Dear Dr. Crawford:

It was a great pleasure to read your letter of September 28th. Your endorsement is certainly a great encouragement to me. Naturally, we express views that are not always acceptable but in the main I have many letters such as yours which give me courage to go on in this, to me, new work. Like all religious papers, we are having our depression but we hope by the grace of good people to be able to weather the severe gales.

With many thanks, I am

Yours truly,

October 1, 1931.

Rev. H. Lewis Cutler,
Calvary Presbyterian Church,
Wyncote, Pa.

Dear Dr. Cutler:

I have your letter of September 23rd. Naturally I am unhappy that anyone representing THE PRESBYTERIAN should meet your disapproval. Mr. Voorhees has represented THE PRESBYTERIAN for a considerable length of time. It is quite possible that he is not always as wise and tactful as he might be. Of that I know nothing. I assure you that we hope your people have not been unduly disturbed. We are trying to increase the circulation of THE PRESBYTERIAN which is rather difficult in these depressing times. I present apology for anything amiss and I assure you that I would like to co-operate with you in any way.

Very sincerely yours,

October 1, 1931.

Rev. W. J. G. Carruthers,
3702 Parkside Drive,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Carruthers:

It was a sorrow to me to receive your letter of September 24th. It came and was answered while I was absent. Miss McKinney returned the poem of which you speak. I think I know you and am the more grieved because of my pleasant acquaintance. If I mistake not, your wife came from Delaware County, New York, and I ministered to her parents during a very long and tedious illness.

Now I hope you will withdraw your objection to THE PRESBYTERIAN. I do not think you or anyone outside the office appreciates the number of poems and articles which come in to us. I have a great pile, all of which I would love to print, but we simply have not the space. I think there is no week that goes by without many poems coming to us. I am sorry that I did not see that of Miss Waugh but I sincerely ask for your forgiveness and hope that you will continue to receive and read THE PRESBYTERIAN.

Very sincerely yours,

Central Presbyterian Church
Norristown, Pa.

REV. JOHN ALLEN CRAWFORD, PASTOR
MANSE, 536 HAWS AVENUE

August 4th, 1931

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D. D.?
Delhi, New York

Dear Dr. Robinson:-

I was shocked to read of the death of our good friend Miss Alexander. Her father in St. Clairsville and my father in Wheeling were friends long ago and she was one who valued deeply rooted and vital relations.

You will recall me perhaps from Benham reunions and as former pastor of the Falls of Schuylkill church. My sister and I came up from Staunton, Va., where we spent the winter and are occupying the Crawford's manse while I supply his pulpit these two Sundays.

I phoned to your office and was told that you are in Delhi and would be here on Thursday. Can you take lunch with my sister and me on Thursday about one oclock in Wanamaker's Tea Room? I can phone about ten oclock that morning to see if it will be convenient for you to do so.

My object in asking for this interview is to learn if I may what the outlook is in the immediate future of The Presbyterian. and whether I can be of any service to you in this emergency. At present I am free for the autumn.

Trusting that we may have the pleasure of seeing you on Thursday, and with kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

William B. Cooke

PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY

ADDISON B. COLLINS, STATED CLERK

24 WEST MERCHANT STREET, AUDUBON, N. J.

September 16, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Roninson, D. D.,

The Presbyterian,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I want to thank you for your very kind note of recent date.

If the directors see fit to consider me in the connection mentioned I shall be very glad to take a proposition under advisement.

Again thanking you for your courtesy and kindness,

Sincerely yours,

A. B. Collins

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September, 24, 1931

The Presbyterian,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen: Attention: Mr. A. I. McKinney

I have your letter in which you state you cannot print the poem written by Miss Waugh because you have so many poems now awaiting publication.

I regret this very much, and have just about come to the end of my patience with your paper, which I have always highly esteemed. It seems as though I have been unable to get very little recognition with articles sent to you for publication. In the past ten years, I think of all the articles sent, if I remember correctly, but one was published. If that is the consideration, I would be pleased to have you sever my subscription, which was just recently renewed, and to cross my name from your mailing list.

I dislike very much to do this, but since I believe in fair play, I feel my action is justified.

Very truly yours,

W. J. G. Carruthers

WJGC:R

September 30, 1931.

Mr. John H. Cole,
1106 Olive Street,
Coatesville, Pa.

Dear Mr. Cole:

Mr. Ford's letter asking me to speak at your Elders Association on October 29th came to me while I was in New York State. You called me up on the 'phone yesterday and I felt compelled to decline the honor which you offer me. I do not see how I can possibly prepare for that work which should be carefully done. I would enjoy it exceedingly but I have about all I can carry and about that time I am expecting to bring Mrs. Robinson to Philadelphia which will absorb several days. I hope that you will understand and perhaps at a future time I may serve you.

Very sincerely yours,

Rangoon, Sept. 11, 1911.

Rev. W. E. Robinson, D.D.
Philadelphia.

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Dear Brother, I did not receive the Christian Intelligencer this morning, so could not make my usual comments. Perhaps it will be found in the mail which is due to-day. I am very sorry to hear that Mrs. Robinson is not well. Please tell her that I am praying for her recovery. Mrs. Bunker is very much better. She has been very ill with malarial fever. Mrs. Bunker has been very kind to us during our stay in Rangoon. We have enjoyed her hospitality very much. Mr. Bunker is in Moulmein. I am very glad to hear that you are getting on so well with the Burmese. I wish I could be with you. I am sure I could help you very much. I am very glad to hear that you are getting on so well with the Burmese. I wish I could be with you. I am sure I could help you very much.

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September 26, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
c/o "The Presbyterian,"
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:-

I understand you will be back in your office Tuesday. Elder Harry P. Ford was to communicate with you with a view of obtaining your consent to address the Fall Convention of the Ruling Elders' Association of Chester Presbytery, to be held in the East Whiteland Presbyterian Church, Frazer, Pennsylvania(Chester Presbytery), Thursday, October 29th. This is only a short distance from Paoli. We want you to address the Elders on the duties of the Ruling Elder.

We are inspired to ask you to make this address after reading your editorial in the Presbyterian recently on, "Where Are the Ruling Elders?". The writer attended the General Assembly at Pittsburgh and quite agree with your editorials.

You did not mention in your report of the Assembly in your paper anything about the banquet of the Ruling Elders, held in Memorial Hall, across the street from the Syria Mosque. There were more than two hundred ten elders present. Dr. McAfee made the address to them and the writer had the honor of presenting the advantages of a Ruling Elders' Association in a Presbytery.

We hope you will consent to make the address asked for.

Let me compliment you on the splendid character of the editorials in the "Presbyterian" and on your fidelity

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to the fundamentals of Christianity.

You are being invited to address our Convention by the Executive Committee of our organization. Please let me hear from you immediately, direct to myself here at Coatesville.

Sincerely yours,

JHC/C

John H. Cole

JOHN H. COLE,
Secretary.

Columbia
BROADCASTING
SYSTEM·INC.
485 MADISON AVE. AT 52nd ST.
NEW YORK CITY
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August 11, 1931

Dear Mr. Editor:

The enclosed story has awakened such a favorable response in the metropolitan press that I am sending it to you in the hope it will receive either a story or comment in your publication.

It represents, we in Columbia believe, a great forward step in the field of religious broadcasting. Doubtless your readers will be interested in our plans.

Please be assured that we shall be glad to send photographs or additional information upon request. And, in case, you should find the story adaptable to the needs of your publication, we should very much appreciate a marked copy.

Cordially yours,

Paul W. White

Paul W. White
News Editor.

Westminster Presbyterian Church

UNION AND DELMAR BOULEVARDS
Mail Address: 5318 Delmar Blvd.
SAINT LOUIS

WILLIAM CROWE, Minister.
ROLAND SIMS, Assistant.

September 10, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

From the letters that I have already received, I have a feeling that the article on organic union fairly expresses the feeling of our people in the south. May I be permitted to thank you for giving it space in your paper. Your generous attitude is greatly appreciated.

Will you be good enough to ask the manager of your Circulation Department to send me four or five copies of the paper of September 2 and I will be glad to pay whatever cost there may be for these copies.

With high esteem and cordial good wishes, I am

Very truly your friend and brother,

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PERSONAL

September 9, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D. D.,

The Presbyterian,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I am taking the liberty of writing you in reference to the vacancy in your ranks owing to the death of Miss Alexander, and making bold to inquire if I may be considered for such vacancy.

My associations in the office some years ago were most pleasant, and provided the opportunity for becoming familiar with the various departments of the paper - editorial work and writing, church items, proof-reading &c., which experience coupled with more or less familiarity with the church and its workings, its government and a conservative theological conviction, may fit me in a measure for such a task and offer a wider field of service.

If there is such an opportunity, and you desire it, I would be glad to have a personal conference with you at your convenience.

With kind regards, and all good wishes for your abundant success,

Sincerely yours,

A. B. Collins

September 10, 1931.

Rev. A. B. Collins, D.D.,
24 W. Merchant Street,
Audubon, N. J.

My dear Dr. Collins:

I have your letter of yesterday and it interests me very much. The directors have not had a meeting since the death of Miss Alexander and I do not know what their intention is. We are very hard pressed financially but I think it is in the mind of the directors to take on some clergyman for work in the office and also to go out to presbytery, missionary meetings, and individual churches in the interest of getting subscriptions. The details of this plan would have to be worked out.

When the directors meet I will not hesitate to suggest your name. We have two or three others who are likewise seeking connection with us and several women have also applied. The matter is wholly in the hands of the directors.

Yours very sincerely,

Westminster Presbyterian Church

UNION AND DELMAR BOULEVARDS
Mail Address: 5318 Delmar Blvd.
SAINT LOUIS

WILLIAM CROWE, Minister.
ROLAND SIMS, Assistant.

September 1, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

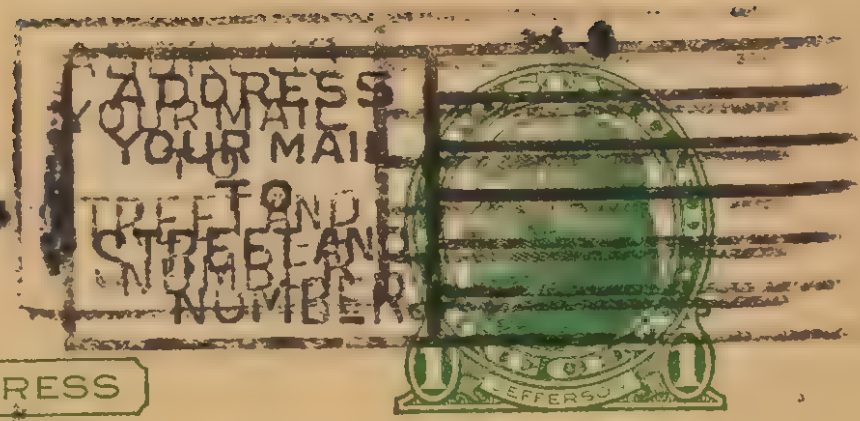
Our Church Secretary tells me that she forwarded a letter from you to me and that it was sent to San Francisco. In some way my mail failed to reach me when I was in San Francisco and has not yet been returned to St. Louis.

I am so anxious to get your opinion of the paper that I submitted to you that I am asking if you will be good enough to send me a copy of your reply. I will greatly appreciate your kindness in this matter.

With high esteem and cordial good wishes, I am

Very truly your friend and brother,

W Crowe



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D. D.,
The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia,
Penna.

Sept. 4, '31.

Dear Brother: Thank you very much for book. Will send review of it in a few days (D.V.) Have been delayed by sickness in family.

Please pardon postal.

Very cordially

Geo. M. Cummings.

September 9, 1931.

Rev. William Crowe, D.D.,
5318 Del Mar Blvd.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Dr. Crowe:

Your article was printed. I thought it very interesting, new and true. I hope you receive copies of the paper.

Most cordially yours,

September 8, 1931.

Rev. W. M. Cleaveland,
Payne-Shoemaker Bldg.,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Dr. Cleaveland:

I thank you for your letter and the newspaper clipping concerning Dr. J. Vernon Bell. Owing to vacations it has not received the prompt attention that otherwise it would. We will be glad to make a note this week if possible. If not, the following week.

Yours very sincerely,

September 8, 1931.

Rev. Walter R. Clyde, Jr.,
Dunbar, Nebr.

Dear Mr. Clyde:

During the summer our office has been somewhat demoralized by vacations and I have been absent part of the time. I recall your article but cannot lay my hand on it at this moment. I will attend to the matter very promptly. I regret the delay.

Yours very sincerely,

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August 28, 1931

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Dr. Robinson:

On Wednesday I attended the funeral of Rev. J. Vernon Bell, D.D. His son, Dr. Henry Bell, a dentist in DuBois, asked me to send you the enclosed clipping from a local paper in regard to Dr. Bell's life. I gladly agreed to do so. Dr. Bell was a very useful citizen, a true Christian gentleman, an outstanding church man, and, incidentally, one of the youngest old men with whom I have come in contact.

Very sincerely yours,

W. M. Cleaveland

WMC:S

First Presbyterian Church
DUNBAR, NEBRASKA
Walter R. Clyde, Jr.
MINISTER
PHONE NO. 5

August 27, 1931.

The Rev W. Courtland Robinson,
Editor: The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

A month ago I submitted to The Presbyterian for publication a manuscript entitled, "Defining Christianity." With the manuscript I included an explanatory letter, and stamps for the return of the manuscript should it be refused. To date I have had neither acknowledgement of the receipt of my missive, nor a return of my manuscript.

I am writing to inquire the reason for this fact. Always I have been an admirer and supporter of The Presbyterian, and I feel sure that the management is too courteous, and too well acquainted with journalistic principles to permit such a thing to happen except inadvertently. Would you kindly investigate?

Very truly yours,

Walter R. Clyde, Jr.

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First Presbyterian Church
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MINISTER
PHONE NO. 5

August 28, 1931.

Editorial Staff,
"The Presbyterian",
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

In the July 23rd number of your magazine, in the section "Comments and Timely Topics", was an article entitled, "What Becomes of Seminary Students." After quotation of statistics of Princeton graduates, the general conclusion was drawn that "the idea that from the seminaries there marches forth a solid phalanx of young preachers to recoup the spent forces of men tottering on the brink is erroneous....Less than half the class are entering the pastorate in any capacity or anywhere. We are certain the statistics of any theological seminary will reveal a similar state of affairs."

The statement "any theological seminary" is open to challenege. One seminary, at least, and that a Presbyterian Seminary, does send forth"a solid phalanx of young preachers" - the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary. Since its foundation the Omaha Seminary has sent forth a steady stream pf preachers, men who became able pastors. In 1930 fifteen men graduated, fourteen of them going almost at once to regular charges, and one to a year's graduate work, but who is now in home mission work in the Northwest. Last spring eight graduated; all are now in pastorates, one with a federated church, one with a Reformed church, and six with Presbyterian churches.

The record of the Omaha Seminary is worthy of notice. It is sending forth preachers, and preachers thoroughly grounded in conservative doctrine. There need be no fear for Omaha. It is doing the work for which seminaries were originally designed - the making of preachers!

Because of the prominent place that "What Becomes of Seminary Students" had in your magazine, I feel that these facts that I have written deserve just as prominent a place. Omaha Seminary is doing its proper work, and the Church should know it.

Sincerely yours,

Walter R. Clyde, Jr.

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Dr. W. Courtland Robinson, Editor
The Presbyterian,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

We wish to thank you and your staff for forwarding the letter from Mrs. Martha Clark Field of Boulder, Colorado with the article which you published a year ago last January on "The Story of the Pocket Treasury." We appreciate this co-operation on your part.

I also received your acknowledgment of the article sent you a few days on "Great Need in Mountain Schools," and the indication that you may be able to use it a little later. We trust so. The need is increasing daily.

Sincerely yours,

THE BIBLE INSTITUTE COLPORTAGE ASS'N

Per N. H. Camp

NHC:S

August 26, 1931.

Chase Harris Forbes Corporation,
60 Cedar Street,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I have your circular relative to the Inter-[illegible] Power Company First Mortgage 5½ Gold Bond, price quoted [illegible] and interest. The undersigned is a clergyman and is seeking safety and has confidence in the Harris Forbes Company with which he has dealt for some time. The return of $500 seems pretty large for safety but I have read the circular and it looks good. Please send to me (Delhi, New York) bill for one $1,000 bond on September first and I will remit.

Very truly yours,

W. Courtland Robinson.

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Aug 24. 1931
83 Merriam St
Lexington Mass.

Rev. W. C. Robinson, D.D. Editor
Fleming H. Revell Co.
My dear Dr Robinson,

I received the book & manuscript, & was
in N. Carolina. There is evidently a misunderstanding
the Fleming H. Revell Co, and as you find
and let you know, if missing material.
I enclose postage with my name & return
Will you kindly mail
address Lexington Mass, by return mail.

sincerely yours

Frank L. Carr

August 24, 1931.

Rev. William M. Carle, D.D.,
Twentynine Palms,
California.

Dear Dr. Carle:

I have your letter relative to your manuscript. I will search again and if possible return it to you. We are overwhelmed with material for publication and the article being long it might be a question whether we could find room for it but if you will send on a revised manuscript I will, of course, read it and do the best I can.

Very sincerely yours,

Editor.

Twentynine Palms, Calif. 8 - 18 - 1931.

Dear Bro. Robinson:

Some little time before you took charge of The Presbyterian I sent to your office a carefully studied argument showing the Scripture teaching on The Ordination of Women. I sent a copy also to The Advance and to Tha Banner telling all three that I was sending to the others. Clarke replied promptly thanking me for that information saying further that he never publisht what was sent to another paper. The article did not appear anywhere. Perhaps you remember I wrote you asking to have it returned, and you said you could not find it. I did get the copy from the Advance. The article is long, 4,700 words. I put a lot of hard work on it, and I feel convinced that, without using any text of doubtful meaning, I completely refuted R. E. Speer's claim that God made the sexes equal.

I carefully studied the pamphlet sent out by the "restless women" written by Hays, approved all he said, and showed that his argument did not apply to the present case, according to his own statement. I went further and showed that Hays' argument <u>disproved</u> the women's contention that they be allowed to rule in the church.

I feel confident that I did a good job and that anyone who will face the Scripture with open mind cannot read the argument and still hold that the Scripture <u>allows</u> women to rule in the courts of the church. The feminist movement in our church will not stop at this point; we will soon be asked to let them preach. I do not believe you are in favor of that but there is no logical argument to stop it if we allow we did right to make them elders.

So I am writing to you to ask if you have any advice to give me. I wrote the article to be read before the presbyteries voted on ordination women. So it would have to be rewritten, a task I hate, and I fear it is so long you could not use it. Could I send it to you, and could you take time to read it and say if it is worth getting into print? and advise as to the method?

Cordially

Hunter Corbett

August 30, 1881.

Rev. Addison B. Collins, D.D.,
Griscom Hall,
[illegible] Hill Wells, Pa.

Dear Dr. Collins:

I have your letter relative to Miss Alexander and we of the office give you thanks. We have had a great number testifying to her beauty of character and her help in this work. I am very glad to hear from you personally.

Most cordially yours,

July 22, 1931

Rev. Charles E. Combrink,
108 N. Clinton Street,
Richwood, Ohio

Dear Mr. Combrink:

Some time ago you expressed your personal interest in THE PRESBYTERIAN.

You will be interested to learn that we are now organizing a special circulation drive for the paper. Our editors are planning many things for our one hundred year old paper. New contributors, new departments and new ideas will feature future issues.

As part of our plan we need representatives in every Presbytery in the country. It is our intention to make this work worth while to our agents and we will help them in every way possible. We have no one working in your particular community at the present time. Could you give us the name and address of an energetic, responsible young man or woman whom this work might interest?

If you wish to distribute more copies of THE PRESBYTERIAN to the members of your church let us know and we will send you a quantity of this week's issue which contains a splendid article by the Reverend Mark A. Matthews.

THE PRESBYTERIAN, as you probably know, is published for no profit. Every year certain high minded men dig down in their pockets to pay expenses. THE PRESBYTERIAN, therefore, deserves the support of every orthodox Christian.

Won't you write us sometime your frank opinion of THE PRESBYTERIAN? We have quite a number of fine endorsements on file and would like to have yours. We will especially appreciate any constructive criticism or suggestions you desire to make.

May we hear from you?

Cordially yours,

THE PRESBYTERIAN

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PITTSBURGH, PA.

August 13, 1931

Rev. W. C. Robinson, D.D.,
Editor, The Presbyterian,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Your letter of August 6 received and noted.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to work out successfully the financial problems in connection with "The Presbyterian".

I enclose herewith my check for $2.50 covering subscription to "The Presbyterian", to be sent to Mr. C. R. Pilkington, P.O.Box 892, Orlando, Fla. for one year beginning August, 1931.

With personal regards and best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

J.S.Crutchfield

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The Presbyterian.

The writer of the enclosed is the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Clarion, and I am fully acquainted with all the facts in the case, and only wish that the matter be known just as it is.

Very resp.

John N. Cooper
443 Stafford Ave.
Erie, Pa.

Aug. 11, 1931,

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL
OF THE
CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY
105 EAST TWENTY-SECOND STREET
NEW YORK

April twenty-eighth
1931

This letter runs approximately 1000 words about 1½ page of 10 pt, or two columns narrow measure.

The Editor
The Presbyterian
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I am sure that Dr. Donald M. Grant would be the first to desire that his argument concerning the relation of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America should be based upon accurate statements of fact. I feel, therefore, that, without entering into any discussion of Dr. Grant's views, it is incumbent upon me to call attention to many grave errors in his article in your issue of April 23.

1. Dr. Grant comments that the Presbyterian Church is paying "something like $18,000."to the Federal Council. The actual amount received is approximately half this sum. The budget of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. carries an item of approximately $18,000. for the Federal Council, but, since it allows any local church to designate its contributions as it desires, the actual amount received by the Federal Council from the Presbyterian Church proves to be less than $9,000. Last year, the amount was $8,569.75.

2. Dr. Grant is wholly mistaken in saying that the Federal Council in 1927 "issued a letter of congratulation to the Nationalist Movement in China." What the Federal Council did do was to adopt a statement to be sent to the National Christian Council of China, the central body representing the missions and the Christian forces of that land.

3. With reference to the statement on "Moral Aspects of Birth Control," Dr. Grant erroneously says that "the Administrative Committee is presumptuous enough to declare that it represents twenty million church members." The fact is that the Administrative Committee in authorizing the publication of this statement did not commit itself as a committee to the contents of the statement at all. It only permitted the Committee on Marriage and the Home, whose members prepared and personally signed the statement, to set forth their views as a committee. Moreover, the report of the Committee on Marriage and the Home specifically stated that there was a divided opinion in the churches and even in the committee itself. Accordingly, when the statement was released for publication, it set forth, not one view, but two (a majority view, approving birth control under carefully guarded conditions, and a minority view, insisting on the method of abstinence). The signatures of those who adhered to both decisions were given, in order that they might be regarded as personally responsible for their conclusions.

It is true that some of the newspapers, in commenting on the statement, referred to the Federal Council as having more than twenty million members in its constituency, but such comments were made wholly on their own

initiative, and were no part of either the Federal Council's statement or the release to the press.

4. Since Dr. Grant seems to be under the mistaken impression that, when the Administrative Committee makes any statement, it is claiming to be officially representing the denominations, permit me to say that the Federal Council has definitely disclaimed any such authority. The statement on this point, as printed in the Annual Report for 1929, says in part: "When a public utterance is made, it expresses the carefully considered view of those representative church leaders who have been appointed by theseveral denominations to serve upon the Council, or its Executive or Administrative Committee, and is put forth in the conviction that it voices a general trend of judgment in the Federal Council's constituency...As in the case of any group composed of delegated representatives, no claim is made for any utterance that it has the unanimous support of all the individual members of the constituency. Actions of the Council become the governing policies of any denomination only to the degree in which they are adopted by that denomination."

5. It is a further mistake to think that the Federal Council is a self-perpetuating corporation in the sense of not being under the control of the denominations that comprise it. Like nearly all other ecclesiastical bodies, the Council is legally incorporated in order to have power to receive and hold property, but when the incorporation was effected the first thing which the corporate body did was to ratify officially the constitution of the Federal Council which had been approved by the constituent denominations at the time of the creation of the Federal Council in 1908. In this way, the corporate body made itself completely subject to the provisions of a constitution of the Council and provided that the official representatives named by the denominations upon the Council and its Executive Committee should constitute the members of the corporation.

6. In his analysis of the composition of the Administrative Committee of the Council, which meets each month for general supervision of its program, Dr. Grant is seriously inaccurate. There are thirty-seven, not twenty-eight, official representatives of the denominations upon the Administrative Committee, since the by-laws provide that each denomination which has a communicant membership of more than 500,000 shall be entitled to two members instead of one. The additional voting members of the Administrative Committee consist at the present time of twelve chairman of commissions, twelve members-at-large, together with the officers of the Council and its former presidents. The by-laws of the Council set up a careful safeguard around these members-at-large by providing that they must "be approved for membership by the proper authorities of the respective denominational bodies of which they are members." Moreover, it is further provided that four of these members-at-large must represent the responsible home missions agencies of the constituent denominations.

7. Dr. Grant raises the question as to the affiliation of the members of the Administrative Committee with such organizations as the Industrial Workers of the World, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Intercollegiate Socialist Society and the Civil Liberties Bureau. The answer to the question is the simple and categorical statement that neither the Administrative Committee nor any of its officers have any affiliation of any sort with any of these organizations. Anyone who will take the trouble to read the published list of the members of the Administrative Committee would know immediately that Dr. Grant's innuendo along these lines is without a shred of foundation, and I think you will agree with me that it is altogether an unworthy procedure to intimate that the responsible members of

the Administrative Committee, like Dr. Robert E. Speer, Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, Bishop William F. McDowell, Bishop M. T. Maze, Dr. John W. Langdale, Dr. Daniel A. Poling and other equally well-known representatives of our great evangelical communions have any relations with organizations out of sympathy with the great Christian purpose for which those denominations stand.

Very sincerely yours,

Samuel McCrea Cavert

SAMUEL MC CREA CAVERT
General Secretary

SMC AS

August 10, 1931.

Chaplain,
Second Brigade,
U. S. Marines,
Managua, Nicaragua.

Dear Sir:

We have the letter signed by M. M. Witherspoon, Commander U. S. N., relative to sending a copy of THE PRESBYTERIAN. We find that it is possible to comply with the request and are very happy to do so. You should receive a copy before very long.

Yours very truly,

HENRY P. CROWELL
1600 RAILWAY EXCHANGE BUILDING
CHICAGO

July 31st/31.

Dear Dr Robinson

At the request of Mr Harbison I am Enclosing check for $3000.00 for the current expenses of the Presbyterian. Same to apply on my pledge for the year. With warm regards. Believe me.

Cordially Yours

H. P. Crowell.

In haste

August 7, 1931.

Rev. Herbert M. Course,
3007 S. "J" St.,
Tacoma, Wash.

Dear Dr. Course:

I thank you for your good word. We are glad to receive the news letter which you sent. Whether it is in print yet I do not know. The death of Miss Alexander has disarranged our plans to a degree. It will find space I have no doubt.

Yours most sincerely,

August 7, 1931.

Rev. Robert L. Clark, D.D.,
New Park, Pa.

Dear Dr. Clark:

The article on "Ordination" is printed and will go out next week. I will be very glad to receive your article on "The Benediction" but I can give you no assurance as to when it will be printed.

Yours very sincerely,

August 7, 1931.

Rev. William Crowe,
5318 Delmar Boulevard,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Dr. Crowe:

I have your letter and the article. I have read it over and at first reading it strikes me most favorably and I would love to put it in print. You have dealt with this matter more intelligently than many who write upon it. With your consent I will put it in the paper at an early date though I cannot make the time. I will read it over again later but my first impression is exceedingly favorable.

Yours very sincerely,

Editor.

REV. ROBERT L. CLARK, D. D.
NEW PARK, PENNA.
LOCK BOX 92

May 6-1931

W. C. Robinson, ~~D. D.~~,
Philadelphia, Pa..

My dear Dr. Robinson

Enclosed please find an article for the Presbyterian on the subject of Ordination. This article is not inspired by an overture now before the Presbyteries but by the pressing need for tightening the cords in this matter. In a few weeks I want to send you an article on "The Benediction". I thank you again for the good paper you are making.

Very Sincerely

R. L. Clark.

Westminster Presbyterian Church

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August 5, 1931.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
Editor, The Presbyterian,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I am submitting a paper to you asking for your honest opinion of it. You need not hesitate to say anything you want to about it.

I would not dare to have this paper made public if it is unfair to the U.S.A. Presbyterian Church. It is for that reason that I am asking your opinion.

I have been a diligent reader of the Presbyterian since the change in its management. It is needless to say that I greatly enjoy it. Mr. J. S. Crutchfield is my brother-in-law. In discussing it with Mr. Crutchfield sometime ago, I suggested that the paper should have a name that would commend it to the reading public beyond the bounds of the Presbyterian Church. Because of the generous views that you have always indicated in the columns of your paper and because of your fidelity to the great traditions of the Presbyterian Church, I am sending this article to you. I shall await your reply with interest.

With high esteem and cordial good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

3607. So J. Tacoma. Wash.
July 23. '31.

Editor of the
"Presbyterian":

Dear Sir: The stated Clerk of the Synod of Wash., the Rev. Eugene A Walker, is becoming quite feeble and I believe has not reported a Synod meeting to the Ch Papers for two or three years. We, his helpers, are now trying to do all the extra we can, without lifting the old man from it's official assignment. Hence the enclosed report of our recent Synod meeting, over my signature. I've attended 26 annual sessions of the Synod of Washington, and never a better one than this. It was worthy a place in your valued publication, on which I congratulate you, even tho my write-up of same is unworthy. God bless you in your good work. My wife says the "Presbyterian" is the best publication coming into our home.

Sincerely
Herbert H Crouch
Permanent Clerk
Synod of Washington.

August 6, 1931.

Rev. Robert L. Clark, D.D.,
New Park, Pa.

Dear Dr. Clark:

I received your letter relative to Miss Alexander. The facts you give concerning her father are very interesting. We may find a way to give them publicity.

As to your article on "Ordination", I have a great pile of manuscripts which I do not like to return and which we have not had room as yet to print. We may find space for it if you will be patient.

Yours most sincerely,

August 6, 1931.

Mr. H. P. Crowell,
1600 Railway Ex. Bldg.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Crowell:

Permit me to assure you that your generous check was most acceptable and really saved the life of THE PRESBYTERIAN for the time. The summer is always a hard season but this has been particularly so. I think we should have a meeting of the directors as soon as possible. I am confident that THE PRESBYTERIAN should be continued. It is of superlative importance for the cause of Christ and the Church. I desire also to learn more fully the mind of the directors relative to policies and methods. I have made up my mind to take some steps in changing the form and I hope to present more satisfactory matter. Mr. Harbison visited me and we had a talk which was too short but aided me very much. One thing is certain. THE PRESBYTERIAN must not be allowed to stop and for the present at least it seems dependent upon you and a few others. I think some effort would enlist new friends. I have letters of commendation every day.

I write this chiefly to thank you for your generous support.

Yours very sincerely,

August 6, 1931.

Mr. J. S. Crutchfield,
American Fruit Growers, Inc.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Crutchfield:

I thank you much for your letter of August first. I have now returned to the office and will be here practically all the time from this date on.

Along with so many other enterprises, THE PRESBYTERIAN seems to be at something of a crisis. The trouble is chiefly financial. For my part as editor, I think I have learned some things and I hope to be able to put out a better paper very soon. I appreciate your cordial friendship and support and I hope that the good conservative friends will stand by the paper no matter what becomes of the editor. We must have it and it was never more important to the cause of Christ than just now.

With very kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

P.S. - We will send the paper to Mr. Pilkington.

REV. ROBERT L. CLARK, D. D.
NEW PARK, PENNA.
LOCK BOX 92

August 5- 1931

Rev. H. C. Robinson, D.D.
Philadelphia, Pa.,

My dear Dr. Robinson,-

I was much grieved to learn from the Presbyterian of the death of Miss Clara A. Alexander and was much interested in what you had to say of her devoted Christian life.

That Dr. Alexander came from this field in St. Clairsville, Ohio, to the Editorship of the Presbyterian is entirely correct, but you may be interested in something that you do not know before. Dr. Alexander was a student at the Free Church College in Edinburgh, Scotland, and was graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1858. August 7, 1860 he was received by the Presbytery of Donegal as a Licentiate from the Presbytery of St. Clairsville, was ordained to the gospel ministry and installed pastor of the Little Britain Church. This relation was dissolved at his request, December 4- 1866, and he dismissed to the Presbytery of St. Clairsville. His pastorate at Little Britain was during critical Civil War period, and he, a Union Democrat pursued a wise course and was much beloved. My

boyhood home was about three miles from Little Britain Church and I often attended services there with my father although our family belonged to Chestnut Level. When I was a boy of fourteen a sermon by Dr. Alexander gave me my first serious religious impression.

Some of Dr. Alexander's children were born in the Little Britain manse, possibly Miss Clara, and any one who knew Doctor and Mrs. Alexander would know that their children were well born. Miss Clara was the only one of the children with whom I was acquainted and she was surely twice well born. The last time I met her was in the Office of the Presbyterian when Doctor Kennedy was in charge.

In the History of Westminster Presbytery compiled by me in 1924 I find the following record, — "During the ministry of Mr. Leitel, on the 25th of August, 1921, Mrs. Alexander, widow of Rev. Robert Alexander, D.D., the fifth pastor of Little Britain church, celebrated her 80th birthday by a visit to the Little Britain manse, where she came as a bride many years before. With her were three children, two of whom were born at Little Britain. One of these was ~~Miss~~ Miss Clara A. Alexander, present editor of the Home Department of the Presbyterian. This visit had been carefully arranged by

her children as the most fitting way of celebrating this anniversary. Rev. and Mrs. Lenkel aided in the successful execution of the plan."

In the latter part of May I contributed an article to the Presbyterian on the subject of "Ordination". The facts mentioned in that article I felt were more than a contributing cause to present conditions in our beloved church. Evidently you were not impressed that way and possibly the article was consigned to the waste-basket as it was not appeared. That was your privilege as editor. I will try again some day.

I hope you will not misunderstand me when I express again my appreciation of the paper under your management. In my knowledge of the Presbyterian, and it has been for many years, I have never known it to better meet the church's needs.

Very sincerely

R. S. Blackburn.

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ORLANDO, FLA.

August 1st, 1931.

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson, Editor,
Presbyterian Publishing Company,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I have read with care and great interest your letter of July 23rd.

We are expecting to have shortly a Board meeting of the Presbyterian at which time the matters referred to in your letter will have consideration, and some action will undoubtedly be taken.

I expect to be in Florida until about August 25th although I may run up to Pittsburgh for a day or two about August 8th.

Will you kindly put Mr. C. R. Pilkington, P. O. Box 892, Orlando, Florida, on your subscription list, sending the bill to me at Pittsburgh?

Yours very truly,

J. S. Cunningham

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